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ber of copies returned and reported unsold during the month of February was 13.90 per cent.

W. B. CARR. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day J. F. FARISH of February. My term expires April 25, 1905.

PREE BRIDGE LEGISLATION.

In considering plans to utilize the authority to construct a free bridge the city would make the st speed by first thoroughly understanding what

until the Municipal Assembly is in possession of the facts; the main lines of which facts must be two the nature and extent of present hindrances to commerce and the nature and extent of the facili- I don't think it is right for me to draw a pension

seems properly designed to provide for this information. Certainly the proposed Terminal Commission cannot proceed until it knows the facts; Assembly and the public before further steps are

PREVENTION AS WELL AS PROTECTION.

Protests are made by the morning kicking-organ and by professional gang politicians against the purchase of a lot in South St. Louis, at Compton avenue and North Dakota street, for a fireengine house. The lot cost the city \$1,300 and the building will cost about \$18,000. It is impossible to see what reasonable objection could be raised to the construction of an engine-house at that point, as the institutions and residences and stores in the vicinity need protection against fire. The people living in that section and owning property there undoubtedly regard the administration's work in During the past four years important advance-

ment has been made in the Fire Department. The administration is giving special attention to not only protection against fire, but also to prevention, The plans for an engine-house at Compton avenue and North Dakota street, in a locality where there are many schools, hospitals, factories, stores, residences and institutions of all kinds, call attention to what has been done. The administration takes

There is a new engine-house at Eleventh street and Lucas avenue, another at Ninth and Market streets, another at Pierce and Manchester avenues, the administration proposes new buildings in other the city, especially in remote districts. The house at Eleventh street and Lucas avenue and a new truck. Thirty-three firemen are employed there. Twenty men are employed in the doctor not to take it. This latter advice was seized house at King's highway and Morgan street. A new warehouse has been built at Twentieth street and grapes spirit. But if there was any bitterness in Washington avenue. The new buildings and grounds represent an investment of \$200,000, and no citizen will deny that it is a good investment. New trucks have been put in central and outlying houses where there were none. All the new houses are equipped with the best new apparatus. The efficiency of the downtown protection is at least 50 per cent better

greater. Two men bave been added to all the compunies situated between the river, Jefferson avenue, Howard street and Park avenue. In all, there are about 100 additional firemen, and the membership now amounts to 612

Citizens remember that the Wells administration has kept politics out of the Fire Department. In order to emphasize the necessity of managing the department independent of politics Mayor Wells reappointed Chief Swingley, who is a Republican. There were other capable applicants for the position, but the Mayor took the attitude that, in connection with discipline and general efficiency. strictly unpartisan regulations should direct the

kicking organ are opposed to reform and progress. ner. Both are a credit to our grand old State and They object even to protection against fire.

THE FUTURE OF ST. LOUIS.

Not a grand jury has adjourned in years without lamenting the overcrowding of the eleemosynary institutions and the dilapidation of public buildings. Not a commercial, civic or industrial organization has allowed any considerable period to elapse without expressing a desire for visible permanent improvements, and without signifying. at the same time, the important relation which public work beam to commercial and industrial

It is impossible to get away from the fact that the appearances and the sanitary conditions of a city are accessories to growth and prosperity. Busibut it will not increase as rapidly as it should. New residents may come to a city in order to better themselves in a material way, but, if the city postmasterships. is unkempt or unprogressive or does not offer the best conveniences of living, their hearts are elsewhere, and they are ready to depart.

The condition of public buildings, of streets, of alleys, of sewers, of parks and of public property in general reflect the character of a community. Appearances and conveniences are assets which invite trade and swell the population. Public improvements are among the very best advantages. They afford innumerable accommodations which multiply the pleasures of metropolitan existence. and, in exemplifying the spirit of progress, they attest to a city's resources and energy.

St. Louis discovered last year the connection be tween public improvements and local prosperity. The World's Fair was but an indicator for the great transformation and the civic pride. The World's Fair attracted attention to St. Louis, but it was the popular impulse back of the World's Fair which really exploited St. Louis. Had the city not been improved for the occasion, its appearances entirely altered, the benefits would not be as large as they are, and there would be a reaction instead of the acceleration which is manifest.

The proposed issue of \$0,000,000 of bonds for building sewer, park, parkway and other improvements accords with the circumstances of advancement. The work which this issue contemplates is both necessary and desirable. In order to realize time to time are sufficient. from the attendant prospects it is incumbent upon St. Louis to accept the most favorable opportunities. St. Louis cannot go backward, but must hold to its record and maintain its reputation as a great city.

The business interests, the labor interests, all interests are concerned in civic betterment. The standpoint, and they assure economy from a mua commercial and an industrial standpoint. Business and labor will gain through the work which is planned; they would suffer should the improvements not be made. St. Louis is face to face with a rare opportunity. Last year was only a beginning. The enthusiasm of the people this year will go far toward deciding the future of St. Louis.

-CONSCIENCE SHARPENED.

A few days ago the United States Pension Commissioner received a genuine surprise in the form of a letter from a South Dakota veteran. This mar An ordinance cannot very well outline a method who had been drawing a pension for disabilities incurred in the late unfortunate civil affair, completely recovered his health a short time ago. Writing to the Pension Commissioner, he said: "Now, when I ain't sick, so kindly strike my name from The Council amendment to the present bill the list and don't send me any more pension money I simply can't take it."

In a department dally flooded with applications on the ground of disabilities which the applicants and the facts should be known to the Municipal have obviously forgotten all about, it is no wonder that the letter produced a shock.

> Recently the United States Treasurer has received several large sums of money from persons who have defrauded the Government and desire to make restitution. Last week a package of crisp thousand-dollar bills came in, and a few days be fore a package of hundred-dollar bills. In all, many thousands have been sent in by conscience-touched

> These matters should not be held phenomenal a majority of people in this day and generation have good working consciences. There are a great many individuals who would not receive a pension to which they are not entitled. Nor is remorse over good signs, reassuring us that conscience is strongly operative, encouraging us to think the best of the times; and they are good examples, for which reason they deserve public mention.

HON J. N. FOOTE AND MAJOR WARNER. Honorable J. N. Foote, formerly of Knobnoster later of Protem, Taney County, was in town Wednesday and aired his views on the senatorial election. He exhibited no tinge of envy or bitter- her house for the benefit of the Seiko Girls' School of ness over the result, though some disappointment must have been inevitable to one who figured so prominently in party calculations and discussions Honorable Foote at one time, indeed, was an annonneed candidate for the honor, and it is probable that Representative Walmsley would have started longer. Later he renounced his candidacy. At another time Foote engaged in open correspondence with another prominent candidate, Doctor Yates, that he did not want it himself, but advised the and Mr. Nakatsuka played a duet on a kind of flute and upon by Foote's enemies as an evidence of sourhim at that time it has all disappeared, as his interview proves.

"Our old g. o. p. has come out noble," he said Wednesday as he accepted a cigar from The Republic's representative, "and I am glad to avail tie orphan girls in Tokio ought to come into something myself of this opportunity to show there is no illfeeling on my part, and I also want to avail myself of the opportunity to indorse Major Warner. The numerical strength of the department is Although I have never had an opportunity of meeting him personally I know what he is, as I served on a jury before him once when I was living back in old Knobnoster. Those were the days when he was United States District Attorney and I was diers will go barefoot." nothing but a private citizen-a kind of a high private in the rear rank." and the Honorable Foote smiled benignantly. He continued: "Little did I dream then that we would one day be rival candidates for the senatorship. As I have remarked on

> previous occasions, life is full of vicissitudes. "I am glad to inderse Warner, glad to tell the people of this grand old State that Warner is a man worthy of the honor, giad to assure Missouri that it will be well represented. He will look and

of the merit system governing the Fire Departitude of I make an extention in favor of my old felment, of the better discipline and greater efficiency low-townsman, Colonel Wells H. Bledgett. He was of the Fire Department and of the better protection of Knobnoster, you know, and I adthes affected, the gangsters and the morning kick- mire him for that and many other reasons. In ing-organ have nothing to say. But that need not fact, though you may not have noticed it, there surprise citizens. The gangaters and the morning is some resemblance between him and Major War-

"But, speaking of Major Warner, one thing that draws me to him is that there are no frills about him, and he wants the boys to keep on calling him 'Major' just like they used to, Instead of 'Senator. I like plain people and plain names-that's why I have asked the public to call me 'Jim' for short. He is like me in that respect. I want to avail myself of the opportunity again of indorsing him. I think he and I will get along first-rate. When the proper time comes I intend to call on him reguarding the disposition of one or two of our post offices in Taney County."

Honorable Foote could hardly be more magnanimous. Republican harmony would be more than a mere name if there were more like Foote in the ness may thrive after a fashion in a slovenly city, party. It is to be hoped that Senator Warner will be sensible of the compliments Poote pays him, and will give heed to his advices concerning the

AT IT AGAIN.

We seem to be, as a community, expectorating a good deal these days, which is wrong. Not that we have no right to do the thing itself, but that the habit should not be noticeable. It is noticeable in street cars and on the sidewalks, whereas the law says these must be kept free from mucous de posits, and it makes the offense a misdemeanor punishable-in theory-by fine.

For decener's and health's sake the law will have to be enforced. Two dozen arrests and fines would be a good thing for the people, a potent sanitary measure, and would materially improve the appearance of the sidewalks. As matters stand now the spitter may spit almost anywhere with impunity, and he does.

What is the use of this law on the books if it is not to be enforced? The mere enactment of the law worked some public benefit at first. It had considerable publicity. There were two or three arrests. The public for a time looked well to its manners. Now the spitters are at it again and the police should be instructed to watch for them and capture them in flagrante delicto, Nearly all of the other great cities in the country are making it a point to enforce antispitting laws. The laws are perfectly easy of enforcement. A few arrests from

Under the Wells administration the principle of municipal ownership is realized. The Waterworks still belong to the city, the Waterworks finances are not impaired and clear water is furnished by an economical, efficacious method of clarification The garbage monopoly is no longer a monopoly, improvements are necessary from a municipal while St. Louis has a municipal plant for collecting and disposing of garbage. These two points nicipal standpoint. They are just as necessary from should be applied by the voters where the significance fits.

> Mayor Wells has broken the garbage monopoly by establishing a municipal system of garbage disposal. He announces that as long as he is Mayor the Butler concern will not obtain a contract with the city. Is there any wonder that Butler is against Wells?

RECENT COMMENT.

Burton J. Hendrick, in the April McClure's.

The Astor properties now increase as never before Land values, in the last five years, have jumped 20 and 100 per cent. The forces already described have been especially marked since 1909. The city's population grows at the rate of 100,000 a year. In many sections New York has been largely reconstructed; new headquarters of retail trade and business have developed; public im ways, railroad terminals-aggregate in cost not far from \$200,000,000. There has been a general movement of corporations toward New York; practically all the newly organized combinations, for example, have located there When John Jacob died, in 1890, his estate, inherited by William Walderf, was estimated at \$150,000,000. If i were worth that then, it is worth \$300,000,000 now. The estate of William Astor, who died in 1992, inherited by the present John Jacob, was generally placed at about \$5,000,000. If that were an accurate figure, it must not aggregate at least \$199,000,000. The combined Astor for tune thus increases with accelerated momentum. In fif teen or twenty years, at the present rate of progress, i will have reached the billion mark. And then it will go on even faster, until the ordinary mind is appalled at the portentous figures. We have seen that the \$2,00,000 invested by John Jacob has multiplied at least 200 times in 100 years. It has reached, at a conservative estimate \$420,000,000. If the same rate be maintained for another century, the Aster fortune will attain the unimaginable total of eighty billions. We stand aghast at such a posibility, but not more so than would have John Jacob contemporaries had they foreseen the present reality. In 1830 John Jacob Astor was the only man in New York who was worth a million dollars.

To Help Jap Orphan Girls.

New York Sun Friends of Mrs. Jokichi Takamine of 65 Hamilton ter race got an idea yesterday of what a Japanese enter tainment was like. Mrs. Takamine, who is a Japanese by virtue of having married her husband, she herself being a European, gave an entertainment and a tea a Tokio, which cares for children orphaned by the war.

The house was beautifully decorated with soft Japanese hangings and art objects not put there for this particular occasion. It is always so. In one of the rooms was a platform which looked like a divan upon which the entertainment was given. First came Mr. Ito, a very funny man. He sat down

tailor-fashion and gave a comic history of Japanese wars. It was so funny that the artist himself was moved to laughter. Unfortunately none of the wome near enough to hear understood Japanese. Nearly all present were Americans.

Another Japanese delighted the company with musle on a kind of exaggerated banjo, and then Mrs. Katsuda a kind of zither.

Then Messrs. Koman and Kotome of the Kitamus empany performed such tumblings and jugglings and twistings on the divan that people stood on tiptoe to see. This was in Japanese, too, but everybody understood it.

After that pretty Morningside girls wearing apothe sized kimonos and flowers in their hair served ten and tee cream. The house was crowded all day, and the lithandsome from Mrs. Takamine's entertainment,

Chicago Tribune: "But have you any idea," asked his Secretary of the Treasury, "what it will cost to put the country on a way footing?

"We don't need to figure on that." irritably answere the South American President. "In time of war the sol

Revival of English Humor.

M. Rodin has been praising our fogs and our art. O art certainly looks its best in our foga, "The Japs are a most repulsive people." as Murok: kin remarked when they kept on driving him back

ondon Punch. "What reason did he give for wishing to break the engagement so soon?

"He said the report that he was engaged not extended his credit nearly as much as he had hoped

UNION MUSICAL CLUB'S SACRED CONCERT SOCIAL FEATURE OF LENTEN SEASON

The annual Lenten sacred concert of the , Union Musical Club will be given to-night at the Church of the Messiah, at Locust concerts of the club have become an even

in social circles, Society attends the concert religiously for it is the social feature of the Lenter season. It is expected that every seat in the church will be occupied to-night, for the concerts are of the greatest interest

The concert will be given under the leadership of Mrs. Charles D. Robland of Alton, Ill., who is unexcelled not only as a director, but also in the arrangement of music for women's voices. The programme is replete with novelties both of classical and modern schools and consists ridge Taylor and Berlioz that will have their first hearing in St. Louis.

Miss McClanahan will take the place of Mrs. Hocker, who is ill. The other singers will be Miss Jessie Ringen, Mrs. Buckner and Miss Writh!in. There will also be a string sextet from the orchestm, an organ accompaniment by W. D. Armstrong and a chorus of seventy voices.

Fred E. Allen of No. 651 Washington azenue will depart to-morrow on an Elast-ern trip.

August Boette is traveling through Mes-ico and Central America.

Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell are traveling through Mexico in their private car. They are accompanied by a party of friends. Miss Mary Clark of No. 331 Washington

evenue has departed foliated the Miller party. Doctor Henry L. Wolfner and family are now in Havana. Cuba, after having spent the winter in Pass Christian. They will return to St. Louis before Easter.

Miss Lucille Chouteau has returned from Florida, where she spent the win-ter.

Mrs. C. Wallace Montague of No. GE Maryland avence is in Florida. Doctor and Mrs. C. T. Witherspoon of No. 4215 Olive street will sail for l rope the first of April.

Mrs. J. M. Allen of the Buckingham

Mrs. Cornie Simpson of No. 699 Mary' land avenue departed for Portland last Wednesday.

Carl Stoffragen and Robert Langstras

Miss Anita Trueman of Washington, D.



-Photograph by Gerhard Sisters MISS MAY COUNCILL. Who is visiting in New Orleans.

C., who has been the guest of Mrs. M. L. Rumsey, has departed for Chicago. Miss Margaret Ferguson and Miss Hat-tle Austin have returned after a visit of several days with the Misses Haynes of Toledo, O.

The Misses Cora and Laura George and Ladia Menkel of North St. Louis departed this week for a pleasure trip to several places in Florida.

GREAT FAIR GUNS

Exposition and Woman to Whom He Explained Mechanism Wedded.

David A. Runnion, a Corporal or artillery at the World's Fair, and Miss Josephine M. Gerling of Jefferson City were married in Clayton yesterday by Justice

World's Fair romance. Corporal Runnion was one of those in charge of the great guns in the Government exhibit at the lit is believed that a match was carried — Captain David Noale of Fort Calbona, Rob., Exposition. While there he met Miss Gerby the birds to their nests and that in ling, who asked him to explain their me

Recently Runnion was ordered to his post in Maryland and will depart some time next week. He wrote Miss Gerling asking her to be his wife and the wed ding followed.

A double wedding was speiled in Clayton vesterday through the failure of John Glesler to convince Marriage Licens Clerk Redman that he was 21 years old. Giesler wanted to marry Miss Amelia Suess. They were accompanied by Herman Kemper and Mrs. Froncy Slebert, who passed the age limit and obtained their license. They were married by Justice Stable with Glesler and Miss Suess as witnesses. All live in St. Louis, but did no give their addresses.

Other Reenses issued in Clayton yester day were to Elijah Stutle and Mary O'Flynn of St. Louis; and to August E Vinson and Dollie B. Saucier, both of East St. Louis.

Bankruptey Auction Sale of Beal E

Auctioneer Selkirk will seil to-day at 16 o'clock a. m., by order of Mr. William H. Hand, trustee, the right, title and in-terest of the Heller & Hoffman property, situated at No. 713 Howard street. Sale is for cash and will take place on the

MUST GUARANTEE COSTS IF INTEREST IS ASSIGNED

Judge Adams Holds Attorney Accep ing Contingent Fee Becomes Party

The assignment of half interest in judgment sought by Thomas Reed in a he spoke as follows: contractors, furnished the ground on which Judge Elmer B, Adams of the United States Circuit Court denled the plaintiff's right to contest as a poor per

Judge Adams held that as Reed ha bargained with his attorney. John J. O'Connor, to take his fees from the proeeds of the judgment, if one was ob tained, the latter became a party plaintiff, and as such would have to con form with the statute. This, the cour said, plainly could not be done.

The plaintiff was ordered to deposit \$30 or furnish a bond for \$300 to secure the costs of his action. Time was allowed i which to comply with the ruling. Reed is seeking \$30.000 damages for in-

urles which he alleges he sustaine through the carelessness of a foreman employed by Reynolds & Reynolds white they were boring a tunnel at Yellville, Ark. He alleges that he was sent to re-drill a hole, in which there was an un-emploded blant. The charge of powder was set off, he alleges, and he was ren-dered blind and deaf and permanently disabled.

disabled.

The action originally was brought in the Circuit Court of St. Louis, but was later transferred to the Federal courts. Attorneys Kinealy at Kinealy represented the contractors, and exhibited the notices of interest in the judgment asked by Reed and his attorney. On these motion Judge Adams made his ruling.

ST.LOUIS FIRMGETS CONTRACT Sixty Cars for Chicago Traction

Company to Be Built.

Chicago, March S .- At the meeting of the Union Traction Company receivers today the contract for building sixty new cars for the Consolidated Traction Company was awarded to the St. Louis Car

Company.

The cars are to be delivered as soon as it is possible to build them. The total expenditure will aggregate \$500.00.

The motors will be built by the General Electric Company. Of the sixty cars, thirty are to be out into service early in June on the Evansion line.

BELIEVED BIRDS CAUSED FIRE

Artillery Corporal Stationed at Theory Is That They Carried Matches to Nest in St. Henry's Catholic Church at East St. Louis.

> the roof of St. Henry's Church, East St. at the Planters yesterday. Louis, at a point where the new building -- Charles A. Rand of dan Francisco Cal. in adjoins the aid, are believed to be stepping at the Southern. adjoins the old, are believed to have _____ welch of Tolada, O., arrived at the caused a fire which did several hundred New St. James yesterday. dollars damage early yesterday morning the Fire Department to save the church. Suest at the St. Nicholas. blaze communicating to the rafters and

The fire was discovered by Vicar General William Cluse, the rector of the hurch, at 6 a. m. He was attending to his religious duties in the church when his attention was attracted by the odor of smoke. Looking up he saw a streak of ire fire across the ceiling.

He hastened to his telephone in the parochial residence and called up the Fire Department. The fire by this time had grown and threatened to destroy the edi

Chief Van Dyke soon had several streams on the fire, and heading a squad he cilmbed the steep roof and got to the fire, extinguishing it in a short while. In the meantime another squad of firement work saving the alter and the memorial organ. The handsomely deed ceiling was badly damaged.

SAYS MORAL PROTECTION TO **BOYS MAKES CHURCHGOERS**

resident Hughes of Depart Addresses l'armington t'onference on "The Problem of Man."

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Farmington, Mo., March 31-The St Louis Methodist Episcopai Conference was ddressed yesterday morning by President H. L. Steves of Carleton College and Doc tor L. C. Reser of Marionville Collegiate Institute, concerning the work of the respective institutions.

lecture at the afternoon session, his topic being "The Problem of the Man." In part, is not to be explained by the census, nor by the alleged dishonesty of business, not

President Hughes delivered his secon

yet wholly by the impractical character of some clergymen, nor by the theory that "We need to give the boys more ample moral protection in public sentiment; to give more pasteral attention to men in

shops and stores; to use the personal method in dealing with men, and to preact method in dealing with men, and to preach an aggressive, active Christ, as well as the Christ of the pessive qualities."

The Revererd Matt S. Hughes, paster of the Independence Avenue Church Kansas City, Mo., and a brother of the Depanw president, spoke in the evening. The lecture emphasized in many wars the supremacy of living as a fine art.

The speaker insisted that it was "better to live a poem than to write one; better to experience a love story than to publish one; better to have a part in an enic than to describe the heroic achievements of other men." He entered a protest against the assumed superiority of those who debbie in aesthetics, and insisted that the aritat in living is engaged in the highest agi.

The Reverend W. A. Guavle, who has

that the strict in its in the highest off.

The Reverend W. A. Quayle, who has been paster of the Grand Avenue Church in Kansas City was transferred to Chlcago. The Kansas City church is one of the largest in the Methodist Church. It has been suggested that the Reverend W. W. Luce of Marie Avenue Church, St. Louis, would be sent to Kansas City as Mr. Quayle's successor. Doctor Luce Mr. Quayle's successor.

Quincy. Ill., March 21 .- The Good-roads Committee of the State Legislature, con-

esting of L. M. McGill, C. J. Lindley, Hornce Russell, Frederick Keck, R. B. Hornce Russell, Frederick Keck, E. B.
Echois, C. S. Hearn, B. A. Campbell, C. E. Erby, B. M. Mitchell, H. O. Minius, J.
M. Rapp and M. J. Daugherty, arrived here last night and this afternoon discussed legislation for the improvement of roads before a good sized meeting of cities and farmers at the Courthouse. The committee departed to-night for Galesburg.

Governor Hoch Decides That Champagne Will Not Be Used in Christening - Choice of Sponsoe Is Perplexing.

Topeka, Kas., March 28.-The battleship Kansas will be christened by breaking a bottle of Kansas crude oil over its prow. instead of with a hottle of champagne as s the usual custom.

expressed by him to-day. The statement was made in a conver-sation with A. D. Eddy, general counsel for the Standard Oil Company, who is

"The last time I saw you. Governor." remarked Mr. Eddy, "you expected to make a trip East this spring to attend the launching of your battleship.

"That has been postponed until July," safi Governor Hoch. "I would like to attend that launching and see you break the bottle of champagne over the Kansas," remarked Mr. E. J. Evans, attorney for the Standard Oil Company in Kansas, who was present.

The Kansas will not be christened with hampagne," quickly responded the Gov-"It will be christened with a bottle of oil-not Standard oil or indepen but just Kansas ofl-Kansas crude oil." It is customary for the daughter of a Governor, or some young lady relative, to break the bottle of champagne over the prow of the man-of-war. Governor Hock has two daughters, and he hesitates to

make a choice between them. When asked whom he would choose to christen the battleship, he said that he had not yet decided, and that it was too early, anyway, to talk of that mai which could be arranged in a day or two. The State Capital feels that the Governor's position with regard to the choice of a sponsor is a very troublesome one.

VISITORS AT ST. LOUIS HOTELS

-Louis L. Mason of Latenia, My., to at the -H. A. Gaines of Ciffon, Tenn., to a good at the Laclede. -J. M. Allen of Evanoritie, III., has recons -Gustavus Franklin of Momphie, Tenn., to at the Planters -William Little of Visite, I. T., is a gue at the Southern. -George L. Hornsby of Teledo, O., was at the Jefferson yesterlay. -E. M. Robinson of Papier Stuff, Mo., to at the New St. James. -L. B. Anderson of Mayfield, Ky., to regio-tered at the Lindell.

-M. P. Beich of Jefferson City, Mo., hos--H. M. Schusler of Lafayetta, Ala., has rooms at the Planters.

-Mr. and Mrs. Henry Turney of Poplar Musi, Mo. are at the Lackede. -B. VanDusen of Cloreland, O., spent per-terday at the Southern. -Mrs. W. Hentgomery of Duquets, Ill., to stopping at the Lindell.

-Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fisher of Waltand, Tenn., are at the Southern. -Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Fice Ky., are at the St. Nicholas

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Mason of Rolls, are at the New Mt. James. At Chicago Botels

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Chicago. Ill. March E.-St. Louis persons registered at hotels here to-day are as follows: Schrenk. W. D. Howe, W. A. Rose, C. K. Morrimon. W. D. Howe, W. A. Rose, C. K. Reifsmider, C. Ward Sherman House. F. L. Taibett, W. C. Walker and wife.

Great Northern E. C. Finley, G. J. Masse-helmer, R. S. Morev, Mrs. F. S. Stewart, Mrs.

C. Webb Palmer House A. Dale and wife C. F. Hea-erson, Miss R. Risw. Briggs J. A. Giles, P. W. Hartung, C. C. Teddell. r-Clifton-X. R. McMa C. Elfzen.
Majestic-F. W. Birchett. A. T. MacMillan.
Grace-L. P. Emery.
Kalzerhof-C. A. Sweetland, R. H. Starch.

RESTRICT SPECIAL. New York, March 2 - Ame vais at the hotels here to-day were the

following from Missourt: St. Louis-Mrs R. E. Joseph, Mice Joseph, Savoy; C. Iddiodo and Mrs. Iddiodo, C. H. Rauh, Breslin; E. F. Sauer, A. Freyro and Mrs. Freyre, Residency Central; P. Works, Manhattan; L. G. McNoir, Waldorf; Miss N. ton, Miss J. F. rienia, Grand Union.
Kansas City-F. Eberhart, Empire; M. H.,
Rice, Grand Union,
St. Joseph-S. Hirsch, Bresin; W. Busche, St.,
Denis. Patter, Murray Hill; Miss T. Peller, Kenging-

Cherokee Citizens in Patal Duck. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Pryor Creek, I. T. March 2 Bair Thomas and William Foreman, two citt-

zens of the Cherokee Nation, got into an altercation at Locust Grove, fifteen miles east of this place, and both were hadly shot. Thomas will probably die. He received two charges of shot, one in his shoulder and one in his left side. Foreman received three shots, but it is belie he will recover. The cause of the fi and the details are not known.

Samulgee Democrats Som REPUBLIC SPECIAL Okmulges, I. T., March 22. The Demo rats of this city have selected the folcaing candidates for city offices in the apring election: Mayor, W. M. Jackson; Recorder, C. F. Roach; Treasurer, G. W. Mabry: Attorney, E. H. Moore; Marshai, William Hollicker; Councilmer, George Kirschbaum, L. M. Evans, T. L. Hill, J. E. Petty and H. H. Hoskins,

2 TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TO-DAY IN ST. LOUIS.

• From The Republic, March S. 1889. The St. Louis kindergartens were St. Louis, would be sent to Kansas City as Mr. Quayle's successor. Doctor Luces says he probably will be returned to his present charge.

Considerable interest is manifested concerning the selection of the place for the next conference. The churches at Jopin. Clinton and Sedalla have invited the conference to meet with them. The question will be decided to-morrow morning.

St. Louis, would be sent to Kansas City wisited by prominent cducators of the surrounding eitles. Among these which attracted particular attention was the Ends Kindergarten. Among these which attracted particular attention was the Ends Kindergarten. Mrs. Clara Bubbard was director.

It was decided to hold a national Republican convention in St. Louis • visited by prominent educators o from surrounding cities. Among · those which attracted particular attention was the Ends Kindergarten. It was decided to hold a national · Republican convention in St. Louis for General Grant.

Holy Week began and was ob-Robert Fisher, who had been en-